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- (a) The General Assembly finds:
- (1) That public library resources and services are essential components of the educational system; and
- (2) That libraries stimulate awareness and understanding of critical social issues, and assist individuals in reaching their highest potential for self–development.
 - (b) It is the policy of this State:
- (1) To continue the orderly development and maintenance of library facilities and services throughout this State, in collaboration with the counties; and
- (2) To develop coordinated programs and services among libraries and institutions to:
- (i) Provide the widest possible access to the library and information resources of this State; and
- (ii) Ensure more effective and economical services to all library users.

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